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UPDATE ON ROUTE 101 PAVEMENT REPAIRS THROUGH UKIAH IN MENDOCINO COUNTY

Eureka – Caltrans announced today that replacement of concrete slabs on northbound Route 101 from just south of Ukiah to just north of West Road in Redwood Valley is continuing. These repairs are entirely financed by President Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act).

The new sections of concrete will be somewhat rough until they are ground smooth. Since only the deteriorating sections are being replaced, there is a difference in height between the old and new slabs which will be ground smooth by the end of December, 2010, before the project is put into winter suspension. The entire project is anticipated to be completed by fall 2011.

Work hours are 8PM to 4PM, Sunday evening through Thursday afternoon, and from 8PM to 3PM, Thursday evening through Friday afternoon. Northbound traffic will be restricted to one lane. Motorists may experience minor traffic slowdowns. Motorists are urged to drive with caution and obey reduced speeds which will be in effect during work hours. In areas with traffic control the speed limit will be reduced to 55 mph. Near active work areas the speed limit will be further reduced to 45 mph.

Northbound ramps at North State Street (Exit 551) and Lake Mendocino Drive (Exit 552) will be intermittently closed. Motorists will be advised to use an alternate route and may experience minor delays. No more than one onramp and offramp will be closed at a time.

Under Governor Schwarzenegger's leadership, California has obligated nearly \$2.5 billion in Recovery Act funding obligated to 965 highway, local street, and job training transportation projects statewide. For more information on the Recovery Act visit: <http://recovery.ca.gov/>

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